

Church 'Hosts' Pilferers for Dinner

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78c RUBBISH BID RECEIVED



HEALTHY CUT is taken by youngster as he learns from former baseball star Frank Kelleher, left, how to connect solidly and keep his eye on the ball. Torrance youths came in the hundreds to clinic for instructions. More photos on page C-6.

Per Unit Estimate by Private Collector Would Save Money

Young Beats City in Collection Case

Refusing to pay his rubbish collection bill to Torrance, which amounted to \$18, Leonard C. Young, 4913 Reese Road, was taken to court and won his case against the city.

Young interpreted the assessment ordinance as payable for schools, lights, curbs, etc., but he stated, "I've lived here since 1936, having trash pick-up service since then, and haven't been asked to pay until two and a half years ago."

In court, Judge Donald Armstrong ruled that all payment before Jan. 1, 1960, before the ordinance was effective, was given as a voluntary donation, however, he charged Young \$6 for collection fees since that ordinance became law.

Young mentioned that he believed assessment for collection is illegal. "I might take the city to court on that count; we already pay for the collection through our taxes; why should we pay more?" he stated.

He continued that in July a group of his neighbors are



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being brought to court on the same count. "Why is the city taking them to court for that when we just beat it for the same charges?" Young asked.

Rubbish collection bids showing "fantastic promises which could save the taxpayers money," Councilman Nicholas Drale said, have been submitted to the city council earlier in the week.

Oddities Gather Among Collection of Lost Objects

At least 29 Torrance residents have lost wallets, it was revealed at the police department where that many wallets, several with identification, are stored in the lost and found department. "Some of these have been here longer than I have," announced an officer guarding the collection.

Among other lost items, house keys, car keys and diary keys are stored, many of which seemed rusty with non-use.

"Often times, a little girl playing dress-up borrows mommy's purse and eventually loses it," that is how the officer accounts for the vast collection of purses, most of them empty.

Various sizes and shapes of eye glasses are stored among the deserted items. Contact lenses have not been added to the menagerie, but they are expected.

Even boxes of clothes are among the collection. It was explained that these are often times picked up after a prisoner leaves with a change of wear, or when lazy people ditch clothing rather than taking the trouble to burn it.

Summer Students Take Fourth of July Break

Torrance summer school classes will not be held next Monday, July 4, due to the observance of America's birthday.

School offices also will be closed. Classes will resume again on Tuesday, July 5.

At the council meeting Tuesday night, Drale referred to bids ranging from 78 cents to a high bid of \$1.48 per unit (household). These bids and several others were available with five year contracts.

Other bids received were priced at 86 cents, 92 cents, 95 cents, \$1.40, and \$1.45 per unit. Also, a company submitted a bid priced at \$22 per ton collected. "The latter would amount to far too much," Drale said. "It would total \$500,000 yearly."

The estimations were based on a twice weekly collection of garbage and a weekly collection of trash standard.

Presently, Drale estimated, the taxpayer is paying approximately \$1.40 per month for collection.

He mentioned that when the contracts are agreed upon, the city will remain as the fee collection agent, which will pay the company.

On July 12, a complete report of the bids received will be presented at the council meeting. Drale said the matter could possibly be settled within 30 days, however.

Council George Vico mentioned that if the contracted collection can save the taxpayer money, and if the city can get the five year agreements, he is in favor of the proposal.

Community Chest Leader Transfers

Filling the spot as Harbor Area Community Chest board chairman, Jimmy Visceglia, present chest leader of the section, will replace Glen Koger, who has been transferred to Rome, New York by his firm.

Koger expects to leave Torrance in early July to fill the new position with the Rome Cable Company. He is leaving his Chest chairmanship to Visceglia who will complete the unexpired term.

Koger presided at his last board meeting June 23, and drew praise for his leadership in the area. He is a former area campaign chairman and was in his second term as board chairman.

E. L. Lynn, member of the Los Angeles area board of directors of the Community Chest, presented Koger with a special plaque for his outstanding volunteer service.

Koger, in accepting the plaque, praised the "cooperation he received from everyone in the Harbor area." "I felt it a privilege," he said, "and a duty as a citizen and a businessman to do all within my power for this community and the Community Chest."

"I want to say thanks to thousands of persons who have willingly helped to make my job easier, but much more important, to make this a better community in which to live and to work," he concluded.

Visceglia, chairman of the agency and group participation for this year's Harbor Chest appeal and chairman of the Center Relocation Committee, will serve as board chairman until March.

A former Harbor Area campaign chairman, he will also represent Harbor cities on the Los Angeles Area board of directors of the chest.

LA Safety Council Cautions Drivers About 4th Traffic

"Each year on the Fourth of July weekend, hundreds of Americans die in traffic accidents as they rush to celebrate our Independence Day," J. T. Blalock, Safety Council President of the Los Angeles area, said in an urgent appeal for the use of defensive driving techniques recently.

"The congestion is expected to be heavier this year, since we will experience a three-day holiday weekend. Last year, the holiday fell on a Saturday, so there was not a significant increase in travel," Blalock explained.

He continued that in 1958, when July 4th was on a Monday, there were 370 persons killed in traffic accidents in the nation, 32 of which died in California.

A set of "defensive driving" rules were compiled by William B. Cleves, traffic-division vice president, to help curb the threat of the oncoming weekend. They are:

1. Be sure to signal clearly and well in advance of any change of direction or speed, using both electrical and hand signals.
2. If using the freeway system, choose in advance the on and off-ramps desired, with alternatives in case congestion or accident blocks use of the desired ramps.
3. Select the proper lane according to vehicle speed, with the slowest on the right, and the fastest on the left nearest the center.
4. When traveling either street or highway, leave at least one car length between cars for each ten miles per hour of speed.
5. Choose a driving speed which is best for traffic, road and weather condition. At certain times this self-imposed limit may be lower than the posted speed limit, but should be followed for safety.
6. If there is an opportunity to prevent an accident by yielding the right-of-way, do so, regardless of who should legally yield.

Duo Fills Tummy During Break-in

Hungry? Well it seems as though two persons who broke into the South Bay Baptist Church Tuesday helped themselves to a dinner of pork and beans and didn't even bother to clean up after themselves.

The unidentified suspects pulled a screen off the front door of the church and pruned a sliding window-door open to enter the building at 4565 Sharynne Lane, Torrance.

Along with a full tummy, the burglars left with \$17.02 in cash and stamps. They carried out a roll of three cent and a roll of four cent stamps.

City Employees Observe Holiday

The department of public works of Torrance announces that rubbish, usually picked up on Monday, will be collected Tuesday because of Independence Day.

July 4, city employees will observe the holiday, causing trash pickup to be postponed.

'Pag' Honored

June 28 has been proclaimed "Pag" Paget Day in Torrance by the City Council Tuesday night, which honored the former Chamber of Commerce president J. H. Paget who was transferred to San Diego by his firm Wednesday.

Also, the council inscribed a perma-plaque in his honor. "Paget has left the Chamber in its greatest year in history," Dick Fitzgerald, Chamber manager, said. "He was largely responsible for our Chamber being named the nation's finest in 1959," Fitzgerald continued.

During the former president's 15 years in this community and 11 years with the Chamber, he has served in many capacities, including that of recreation commissioner.

Members of the Chamber met for Paget's final meeting at the home of Dan

Rites Said Here for Mrs. Willete

Rosary was recited Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. in St. Catherine Laboure Catholic Church, for Margaret M. Willete, 56, of 3774 Redondo Beach Blvd.

Requiem Mass was celebrated Wednesday morning at 8:30 a.m. also at the church, with the Rev. Raymond Tepe officiating. Hardin and Flanagan Mortuary directed.

Mrs. Willete passed away June 18 in Mt. Carmel Hospital in Detroit, following a short illness.

She was a native of Bloomington, Ill. and had lived there most of her life prior to coming to California seven years ago.

Surviving her are, her husband, Frank and five sons, Frank Jr. of Michigan, Walter B.; John J.; Richard D.; and Jesse F.; all of Torrance.



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Butcher, where they gave him a surprise "send-off," singing "He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and presenting him with an Omega watch.

California Patrol Reveals Causes of Fatal Accidents

Single car crashes in which automobiles ran off the roadway and overturned or struck some other object, accounted for 28.4% of all fatal traffic accidents in California last year, reports the California Highway Patrol.

Patrol Commissioner Bradford M. Crittenden said there were 871 single car accidents in which 983 persons were killed. One-fourth of them occurred during the three-hour period from 1 a.m. until 4 a.m.

"Four out of five of these accidents happened outside of cities," Crittenden continued. "The information we gathered indicates one or more of three factors—speed, drinking, and sleepiness—contributed to almost all of them."

"This is definitely a kind of accident that the individual motorist can prevent. The answer lies partly in reducing speed not only to within the legal limit, but also to the speed at which the driver can keep his car under control. In addition, no person should continue to drive when his reflexes are slowed by too much alcoholic beverage or just normal sleepiness," he concluded.

School Officials Appoint Teacher to Assistant Job

Curriculum assistant is the title being given Mrs. Mary Long, veteran Seaside Elementary School teacher, who will work at the Torrance Schools' "supermarket of knowledge," according to school officials.

Mrs. Long will serve as an adviser to teachers and will serve in the Educational Materials Building, the school district's central library.

A former teacher in Chicago and principal in Rockville, Md., she has taught at Seaside School since 1956. She has a master's degree from Pennsylvania State and a bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois.

Scattered Tracts Cause Problems With City Busses

"In order to make the Torrance Municipal Bus Lines self-sufficient, the number of residents using the lines would have to triple," Marshall Chamberlain, director, said.

The lines carry approximately 2000 persons daily from 5:45 a.m. to 10:15 p.m. Fee for the service is 15 cents, base fare, and 5 cents for every additional zone. There are two zones in Torrance.

Chamberlain mentioned that the city is too scattered with too many isolated tracts to provide more frequent service.

However, he mentioned that the lines attempts to serve the areas with the most requests.

In February, the downtown merchants sponsored a "Ride the Bus" week. In this campaign, they paid for 26,000 bus schedules—costing about five cents apiece.

The drive was successful, but far too costly, Chamberlain said. Next time the schedules will have to come out of the department's fund.

In an attempt to serve the distant, isolated areas, the bus department is planning the purchase of 20 passenger busses. It has three of these small busses now. A standard bus carries 45 passengers.

November Voters Must Register Now

Persons wishing to vote in the November elections must register July 1 or July 8 at the Bank of America in Torrance. The registration office will be open from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on both days.

This service is for those who didn't vote in the primaries, who have moved since then, or who have recently become of voting age.

BULLETIN

Thirty boys between the ages of 9 and 12 were injured late Wednesday as the bus in which they were riding overturned on Crenshaw between Crest Road and Palos Verdes Drive North.

The M and M charter bus was taking 50 boys to the San Pedro YMCA from the Sewanda Day Camp when its transmission collapsed, causing the accident.

Canines Face License Task

Missing the deadline will put you "in the doghouse" if you are a canine over four months, and have not yet paid your \$3 license fee due tomorrow at the Torrance City Hall or at South Bay Humane Society.

No licenses will be issued, however, unless dog owners

present rabies vaccination certificates guaranteeing immunization through June 30, 1961.

Mailing of fees is possible by addressing requests to the pound office, Downey. Money orders or personal checks are accepted, if made payable to the Los Angeles County Pound Department.



LOOK MOMMY, I paid my dog license fee, smiles a young canine as he proudly holds the evidence of his deed. Tomorrow is the deadline for licensing dogs over four months at City Hall.